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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 226
By Jackson

A RESOLUTION To honor Clarence DeLoach, Pastor of Walnut
Street Church of Christ in Dickson, Tennessee.

WHEREAS, Those intrepid servants of God who answered the call to preach the Gospel set their mark upon the history of this Nation and helped to mold our national character as they brought the Good News of salvation and an impetus for a law-abiding civil society to the raw wilderness settlements of our early years; and

WHEREAS, The life and ministry of Clarence DeLoach, Pastor of the Walnut Street Church of Christ in Dickson, bears a marked resemblance to those of the men of God who labored in the vineyards of the Lord at the beginning of our State and Nation; and

WHEREAS, Clarence DeLoach was born March 20, 1936 in Dickson County; he responded to God's call and began preaching in high school at age 15; and

WHEREAS, Mr. DeLoach pursued higher education at Freed-Hardeman College and David Lipscomb College, and he has taught at Ohio Valley College and Boyd-Buchanan School in Chattanooga, both of which are Christian schools; and

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WHEREAS, Clarence DeLoach has been fortunate to share the love and companionship of his wife, the former Eddie Lowe; they are the proud parents of four children and the loving grandparents of seven grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Mr. DeLoach, in his preaching career, has conducted over 400 Gospel meetings in 25 states, has ministered locally in Tennessee, Georgia, Ohio and West Virginia, and has conducted five campaigns in Guyana, one in Suriname, one in England and one in Scotland; and

WHEREAS, Clarence DeLoach has performed daily radio broadcasts for 33 years and has enjoyed the prosperity of a 15-year television ministry; he has authored three books: *Bound to Abound*, *Contending for the Faith*, and a book on the Holy Spirit; and

WHEREAS, Mr. DeLoach has produced two video series for the World Video Bible School, entitled "The Preacher and His Work" and "Growing in Spiritual Worship"; he also serves on the special staff of Christian Bible Teacher and Voice of Truth International; and

WHEREAS, Clarence DeLoach lends his expertise as a member of the Advisory Board of Freed-Hardeman University, as a board member of the American Heart Association and as Lieutenant Governor of the Kiwanis Clubs of Middle Tennessee, Division 2-W; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his pastorate at the Walnut Street Church, where he has served since 1990, Mr. DeLoach conducts five daily radio spots, one weekly radio program and one weekly television program; and

WHEREAS, The bountiful ministry and energetic service of this dedicated servant of the Lord is deserving of our appreciation and thanks; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we honor Mr. Clarence DeLoach, Pastor of Walnut Street Church of Christ in Dickson, thank him for his commitment to the preaching of the Gospel and dedication to serving humanity for fifty years, and wish him every success in the future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.